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The Kent News.

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REMOVED!

OH! LOOK! DO LOOK HERE!

WE the subscribers have removed to the Store Room formerly occupied by Mr. J. V. Smith, opposite the M. E. Church, Chestertown, where we intend to keep on hand

Good Cigars of our own make,

and will be able to supply store keepers with Cigars as cheap as can be bought in the city. Any one wanting a good smoke can get it at our store from 2½ cts. upwards. And we have

Chewing Tobaccos,

of all grades both natural and sweet, and also FINE CUT. We also keep a good assortment of SMOKING TOBACCO, SNUFF and PIPES. We feel thankful for past favors and would solicit a continuance of the same.

G. W. & R. B. RUSSELL.

Jan. 4, 1868.

New Tobacco and Segar Store.

THE undersigned having rented the room below Thos. B. Hynson's store, and fitted it up, is now prepared to furnish those who are fond of a good smoke or chew with SEGARS of all KINDS and the very best CHEWING and SMOKING TOBACCO. He also intends carrying on the manufacture of segars which he guarantees to sell at less than city prices. Give him a trial is all he asks.

jan11-3m. HENRY A. SPARKS.

FARM FOR SALE,

375 ACRES,

ON the Rappahannock River, beautifully located, well watered and Timbered. Good House and Out Houses. Land very fertile and fine for all uses; marl in abundance; considered the best farm in lower Virginia. The river abounds in fish, oysters and wild fowl. The farm is within a few hours' steam of most of the Atlantic cities. Terms easy—price $30 per acre. Reference: Samuel H. Hurley, Esq., Kent county, Md. H. L. LAYTON,

n30-2m. Saluda, Middlesex county, Va.

LOOK HERE!

Another New Store in Chestertown.

I WOULD respectfully annouce to my friends and the public generally that I have opened a new store in Mr. J. H. Burchinal's building, adjoining Mr. B. Strauss' Clothing Store, near the corner of High and Cross Streets, where I intend to keep for sale

DRY GOODS, NOTIONS,
Boots and Shoes,
GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS,
Queens-ware, Cedar-ware, Smoking and Chewing Tobacco, Cigars, Pipes, and Confectionaries,

in fact most everything that I think will be needed in a country store, all of which will be sold at a small profit for cash or country produce. All kinds of Country Produce taken in exchange for goods.

I would further say to my old customers that are indebted to me, that I need money and will take it as a great favor if they will come in and settle with me without delay. I accommodated you when you came to me without the money, and now you ought to accommodate me and let me have the money, as it is the time for settling up. Yours respectfully,

Jan. 10, 1868—y. J. M. VANDYKE.

New Store Up Town!

AT THE OLD DUGAN STAND,

WHERE we have opened a carefully selected Stock of NEW GOODS, to the examination of which we invite our friends and the public generally. Our stock consists of

DRY GOODS,
Notions, Boots & Shoes,
GROCERIES, HARD-WARE, Queens-Ware, Cedar-Ware, Confectionary, Tobacco,

in fact almost everything that we thought would be needed, all of which has been bought for the cash, at lowest cash rates, and we offer for sale at small profits for cash or Country Produce. In a word, we do not intend or expect to be undersold by any.

d21. WM. W. PARKS & SON.

LOOK OUT! COME AGAIN!!

Just What the People Want, and just what I have been looking for for some time.

WILLIAM WAGNER

HAVING rented a Wheelwright Shop, nearly opposite the Foundry, and having employed a good workman, one who has had 16 years experience in the business, is fully prepared to do all work in either branch of his business—

Wheelwrighting or Blacksmithing,

and on as reasonable terms as it can be done elsewhere. We do all kinds of work usually done in a country or town shop, and keep a lot on hand ready-made

We are thankful to those who have seen fit to patronize us in the past, and hope by strict attention to business to make it the interest of the public generally to do the same. We guarantee all our work to give satisfaction. All we ask is to give us a trial and see for yourselves.

d16-3m WILLIAM WAGNER.

O YES, O YES, O YES!

W. HUDGINS

WOULD respectfully inform the public that he has now finished his business in Court, but is willing and able to plead his own case without the aid of an attorney with those wishing Ice Cream and Soda Water. We keep always on hand ICE CREAM of the best quality, and we would be pleased to fill all orders at city prices.

Families can be supplied with ICE at all hours of the day from my store, without extra charge.

We have now on hand one of the largest stocks of CONFECTIONERY and FRUITS ever offered in this town. Call in and be convinced. je12-tf.

WANTED, *FIVE THOUSAND PERSONS* TO TRY

Simpson's Excelsior Writing Ink,

which he is now manufacturing, and will sell at 25 cents per pint. Come and try it.

oc5-tf. WM. SIMPSON.

HOOP SKIRTS OF SUPERIOR QUALITY, Latest Styles and extra sizes; also, the Patent Corset Hoop Skirt Supporter, something new and sensible, just received at the "People's Popular Store." Ladies can find the most decided Bargains in Dry Goods offered in Kent county, if they will go to

Dec. 21. W. A. VICKERS'.

WINTER CASSIMERES.

A large assortment of Winter Cassimeres, are now being offered at Greatly Reduced Prices, by

Jan. 18. T. W. ELIASON & SON.

Co-Partnership.

JOHN T. DODD respectfully informs the public that he has associated with him in business his son, JOHN N. DODD. The business will in future be conducted under the name and style of

JOHN T. DODD & SON.

We are prepared to do CARPENTERING AND BUILDING in all their branches.

☞ Particular attention will be given to

Coffin Making.

They will make to order, at the shortest notice. COFFINS of every style and finish. Personal attention will be given to Funerals, when requested, and Corpses will be sent to any part of the County.

Thankful for the very liberal patronage heretofore extended, we respectfully solicit a continuance of the same to the new firm.

JOHN T. DODD,
JOHN N. DODD.

Chestertown, Jan. 25, 1868—3m.

Co-Partnership.

SIMON WICKES respectfully informs his friends and the public that he has this day associated with him his son, THOMAS W. WICKES, in the APOTHECARY BUSINESS, which will be conducted under the name and style of

S. WICKES & SON,

at the old stand, where they will keep on hand, or furnish to order, a large assortment of

Drugs, Medicines & Chemicals

suited to this market. We have on hand a handsome assortment of Genuine OILS, SOAPS, EXTRACTS, POMADES, Hair, Tooth and Paint BRUSHES of the choicest make and style; also, Paints, Dye Stuffs, Varnishes, Putty, Window Glass, Acid, Sponges, &c., &c.

Pure WINES and BRANDIES for Medicinal purposes.

PRESCRIPTIONS compounded at all hours with accuracy and neatness. Orders answered with care and dispatch

Persons wishing to see Dr. WHALAND can do so at our office between the hours of 9 and 11, A. M., and 3 and 5, P. M.

SIMON WICKES,
THOMAS W. WICKES.

Jan. 4, 1868—tf.

CO-PARTNERSHIP.

WE have this day formed a Copartnership under the firm name of

Turkheimer & Catlin

for the transaction of the Ready-Made Clothing and Mens' Furnishing Goods business, at the old Corner Stand of L. MASTBAUM. We shall keep on hand always as good an assortment in our line as can be found in the cities.

MOSES TURKHEIMER,
J. A. CATLIN.

Jan. 11, 1868—tf.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE Partnership existing between Joshua B. Fennimore, Joshua B. Fennimore, Jr. and William B. Miller, under the name and style of FENNIMORE & MILLER, is hereby declared to be dissolved. William B. Miller withdraws from said partnership and all persons are hereby notified of said withdrawal and dissolution.

WILLIAM B. MILLER.

Kent county, Jan. 4, 1868—4t.

Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

THE firm of Medders & Sutton is this day Dissolved by mutual consent. Our books have been placed in the hands of JOS. P. IRELAND, Esq., who is instructed to settle our business as speedily as possible. Persons indebted will please make immediate payment Those having claims against the firm will present them for settlement.

PHILIP MEDDERS,
O. F. SUTTON.

GALENA, MD., Jan. 1, 1868—4t.

NEW BOUNTIES.

United States Bounties.
State of Maryland Bounties.

AS it is confidently expected that both Congress and the State Legislature will, at their present sessions, enact laws providing Bounty for those Soldiers and Sailors who have never yet received any, it is important that those interested should have their claims in the hands of some one who will look to their interests and see that their claims are put upon file early and in due form for prompt payment.

I shall be glad to receive the papers of any who desire to avail themselves of my experience and facilities in the collection of all just claims.

All papers will be promptly acknowleged, and while in my hands will be kept in a fire and burglar proof vault, specially built for the increasing number of valuable papers in my possession.

WM. B. HILL,
ATTORNEY AT LAW.
N. E. Cor. of Fayette and St. Paul St.,
jan18. BALTIMORE, MD.

Complete Manure,

MANUFACTURED BY HENRY BOWER,
PHILADELPHIA,
Made from Super-Phosphate of Lime
AMMONIA AND POTASH,
WARRANTED FREE FROM ADULTERATION.
Packed in Bags of 200 lbs. each,

Has raised good crops of Wheat, Corn, Oats, Potatoes, Grass, Cotton, Tobacco and Vegetables of all kinds. *Farmers would do well to inquire of their nearest dealer in fertilizers as to the results obtained from the use of Complete Manure.* The growing crops of Wheat at this time, freely attest its virtues.

RECOMMENDED BY
Booth & Garrett, Chemists, Phila.
Williams & Moss, Chemists, Phila.
C. Elton Buck, Chemist, New York,
and by all who have used it up to this time.

We have numerous testimonials to the effect that it is an invaluable Fertilizer, *and we recommend it highly as a top dressing for Wheat and Grass.*

DIXON, SHARPLESS & CO.,
SOLE AGENTS,
39 South Water and 40 South Wharves,
PHILADELPHIA.

FOR SALE BY WILLIAM REYNOLDS,
jan11. 79 South St., Baltimore, Md.

Reconstruction!

ALL persons, who are indebted to the undersigned will please take notice, that Messrs. TURKHEIMER & CATLIN are alone authorized to collect and receipt for the same. All bills must be settled by April 1st.

LEVI MASTBAUM.

Jan. 11, 1868—1m.

BEEF! BEEF!

THE undersigned respectfully informs his customers and the public, that he may be found at the Engine House every morning, (except Sunday,) with BEEF and other FRESH MEATS, of the best quality.

jan18-3t. RICHARD S. USILTON.

IMPORTANT to THE LADIES!

NO MORE DREAD OF WASH DAY!

R. P. STEWART,
Wholesale and Retail Dealer in and General Agent for Kent Co. for the sale of

MOORE'S ELECTRO MAGNETIC SOAP

WASHING MADE EASY; accomplished without Boiling or Blueing. The finest and most delicate fabrics, as well as the coarsest, made clean without boiling or blueing, saving in the process half the time, labor and soap, and

AND ALL THE FUEL.

I refer by permission to the following Ladies who have used the soap:

Mrs. Rev. J. T. Murray, Mrs. David Hurlock,
" A. A. Biscoe, " Daniel Jewell,
" John Smith, " W. H. Stewart,
" Richard S. Usilton, " Elias Walraven.

GENERAL DEPOT AT CHESTERTOWN.
Merchants and Dealers supplied at a discount.

Jan. 11, 1868. R. P. STEWART.

A CARD
TO CASH BUYERS.

WE learned, when in Baltimore last week, that Hamilton Easter & Co. and George H. C. Neal, the two leading Dry Goods Merchants of Baltimore, were selling Wamsutta Bleached Muslin at 20 cts., and New York Mills at 25 cts. As we do not intend any one shall sell the goods we keep cheaper than we do, we immediately put them down to the same prices, as we intend to do with all classes of goods, unless they sell them below cost as baits. We intend to make it unnecessary for persons to go to the city on account of Cheap Goods, so far as our stock extends. In order to do this it is necessary that we should be able to buy our goods from CASH HOUSES AT CASH PRICES, and so long as the community will give us the means to do so we will guarantee that the prices of our goods will be as low and many articles less than city prices.

AT THE CHEAP CASH STORE
In Chestertown,
Below the Bank,
New Stock Just Opened.

B. B. PERKINS & SON.

Jan. 18, 1868—tf.

Accomplished at Last!

A NEW and PERFECT WORKING

CHURN.

PALMER & INGALLS' ATMOSPHERIC CHURN, Pat. Jan. 6, 1863, has at last perfected in practical working the true method of making the most and the nicest quality of butter in the shortest possible time. It is the most curious, yet simple labor-saving and valuable invention for

Dairymen and Farmers

ever yet brought before the public. All Churns patented heretofore have either been total failures or faulty in some one or more respects.—Not one of them was based on the true chemical combination of cream, hence they have all failed to a greater or less extent. The butter in cream is contained in small sacks or globules. The true process of churning is that which will break or burst these little vesicles the quickest and most thoroughly, and then unite in larger masses the little particles of Butter thus set free from their natural covering. The floats attached to this Churn do this quickly and effectually. It does the hard work of churning in two minutes, breaks more of them than any other churn, thus ensuring a larger yield of butter, and does it quicker than any Churn ever yet invented.—We claim that it will make

Butter in from 2 to 5 Minutes.

That it makes the best butter that can be made from Cream; that it makes from 7 to 10 per ct. more butter from the same amount of cream than the common Churn; that a child can operate it; that it is as simple and easy to clean as a wooden pail. We are ready to prove all these claims by actual trial before any number of witnesses. Orders for Churns received by B. B. PERKINS & SON, Chestertown.

A. BELL, JR.,
jan18-2m. Prop'r for Kent county.

To the Citizens of Kent county,

AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN

BUTTER MAKING!

BUTTER made from new milk in Five Minutes, and from Cream in Two Minutes, by this new invention. It avoids the delay in waiting for the Cream to rise. These Machines are in use by Dairymen throughout the U. States. I positively assert that I can make as much butter from the new milk as can be made from the cream by the old process. Will get more butter in less time, and less butter milk, than any other Churn now in use!

This Churn can be bought of
WM. F. BAKER, Chestertown,
CHAS. H. KENTON, Edesville,
or WEBSTER STOOPS,
jan18-tf. General Agent.

New Lumber Yard
AT CRUMPTON, MD.

SLAUGHTER & CATLIN,

RESPECTFULLY imform the public that they have recently commenced the Lumber business at Crumpton, and keep on hand and for sale a Large Stock, consisting of

WHITE PINE SELECT,
CULLINGS, SIDING,
2x4 RAILING, FLOORING,
HEMLOCK JOISTS,
SCANTLING, FENCE BOARDS,
2x4 RAILING, PAILING, &c.

Plastering Laths, Hair, Lime, &c., all of which will be sold at the lowest current figures.

Jan. 11, 1868—y.

FREIGHTING.

Schooner William Stevens,
CAPT. JOSEPH DOWNEY.

THE undersigned respectfully informs the citizens of the Fifth District that he has commenced the Boating Business, and is prepared to receive grain in his Granary at any time, and freight it to Baltimore at 6 cts. per bush. for Corn and Wheat, by weight, and 5 cts. for Oats, by weight. He hopes by attention to business to merit and receive the patronage of the public. JOHN DOWNEY.

Jan. 11, 1868—3m.

NOTICE.

MRS. A. E. MIDDLETON,
Respectfully requests all indebted to her to call and settle immediately, and thereby greatly oblige her. A choice variety of Millinery and Fancy Goods now in store and for sale cheap. Store adjoining Dr. Twilley. jan18-3t.

Strayed or Stolen,

about the 1st instant, a black and White SETTER DOG, speckled about the nose, and answers to the name of "SANK." Any information of his whereabouts will be thankfully received. D. A. BENJAMIN,

jan18-3t. Chestertown.

A Woman's Confession.

I placed you far above the throng
Of meaner clay, the vulgar crowd,
Because I thought your soul was strong,
And great, and proud.

I made your eyes my chosen chart,
To guide me through the bitter years;
I let you creep into my heart,
And still its fears.

I held your warm, white hands in mine,
And loved the quick, electric thrill
That fired my blood, as rosy wine
That bends the will.

You calmed my heart's prolonged unrest;
You thronged my soul with new desires;
And fed the hopes I then possessed
With fervid fires.

To summer seas and summer skies
Your warm, impassioned fancies lent
The charm that brings to woman's eyes
Profound content.

To violet days you gave the light
That passion-tempest never mars,
And to the purple plains of night
Perpetual stars.

Your presence haunted every place,
The wood, the mountain, and the stream;
And nightly, like a star, your face
Lit up my dream.

My subtle hope your future wrought
With genial skies and sunny ways;
The larger faith would light and thought
Your fading days.

But you have proved how more than vain
It is to trust to worldly things;
My transient bliss is whelmed by pain
That deeply stings.

To-Morrow.

When fortune is fickle, when friendship proves nought,
When sorrow comes quickly on sorrow,
Bear in mind that, though gloomy your prospects to-day,
Still your sky may be brighter to-morrow.

Are your days trouble-laden? The longest day ends.
Are your nights nights of sickness and sorrow?
Still take courage and hope; for, when dawning day comes,
Rest and slumber may come with to-morrow.

Whilst there's life there is hope: known in man's every grief,
Hope some comfort, some solace can borrow;
And the overcharged bosom that lists to her spell,
Can look forward and trust for to-morrow.

What They Said.

We asked a girl what she wanted most, and she replied, "a lover."

We asked a wife what she wanted most, and she said, "kind words from my husband, and children to bear his name."

We asked a boy what he wanted, and he said, "a sweetheart and a happy home."

We asked a miser what he wanted, and he said, "gold, more gold."

We asked a gadding woman what she wanted most, and she replied, "dress, and more news to tell my neighbors."

We asked a mother what she wanted, and she replied, "my darling to love me."

We asked an affianced what she wanted, and she said, "my chosen one to be true to me."

We asked an old man what he wanted, and he said, "rest, and a decent burial."

We asked a working man what he wanted, and he replied, "light taxation, and a chance to make a comfortable home for my loved ones."

We asked a New England manufacturer what he wanted, and he replied, "Legislation and tariffs to make me rich at the expense of the West and South."

We asked a coward who dared not fight, but speculated during the war, what he wanted, and he said, "gold interest on my bonds—support at the expense of working men."

We asked a soldier what he wanted, and he said, "peace, now that the war is over."

We asked the printer what he wanted, and he replied, "our delinquents to pay up."

THRIVE SLOWLY.—It is dangerous for a man to grow rich and strong faster than he grows good. I do not think it wise to grow rich too fast, at any rate. I do not mean to say that there may not be men of such nature that they can grow rich rapidly without being hurt by their riches; but generally God makes the road to wealth one of care, so that the process is one of education, and so that, when a man attained his competence, he has gone through that which is a strengthener, stiffener, and prevents his being much injured by it. But when men come into the possession of wealth without having earned it, they are apt to be injured by it because they have not received that education which is necessary to enable them to administer it properly.—*Beecher.*

MUSIC.—"Music," says Luther, "is one of the fairest and most glorious gifts of God, to whom Satan is a bitter enemy; for it removes from the heart the weight of sorrow and the fascination of evil thoughts. Music is a kind and gentle sort of discipline; it refines the passions and improves the understanding. Even the dissonance of an unskillful fiddler serves to set off the charms of true melody as white is made more conspicuous by the opposition to black. Those who love music are gentle and honest in their tempers; I always loved music," adds Luther, and would not, for a great matter, be without the little skill I possess in the art."

Music so softens and disarms the mind,
That not an arrow does resistance find;
Thus the fair tyrant celebrates the prize,
And acts herself the triumph of her eyes.

So Nero once, with harp in hand, surveyed,
His flaming Rome, and as it burned he played.

MOTHER.—A writer beautifully says a man's mother is the representative of his Maker. Misfortune and mere crime set no barriers between her and her son.—While his mother lives a man has one friend on earth who will not desert him when he is needy. Her affection flows from a pure fountain, and cease only at the ocean of eternity.

For the Kent News.

Old School Chronicles.—No. 3.

BY ONE OF THE PUPILS.

Mr. Doyle's school was much superior to the majority of the schools existing at that time. Another fine school was kept in Still Pond by a Yankee teacher named Pearce: of his school I know nothing except as I have heard. He was reputed to be very stern, and his pupils made rapid progress. The late Hon. Daniel Jones was one of them, and always spoke of his teacher in terms of the highest respect.

In the Chinquepin school, Doyle's English Grammar and Geography were taught, as was also mensuration, surveying and book-keeping. In comparing this school with those of the present day, one is unavoidably impressed with the great advances made in the science of teaching. Our master was the owner of a few maps which were impressed into the service of the whole class, only however at the time of recitation, the geography lesson being altogether memorized. A gourd had been extemporized by our worthy tutor into a respectable globe, on which the class learned something of the circles and motions of the earth, and acquired a knowledge of latitude and longitude. The Columbian Orator and English Reader were the standards, indeed the only reading books. No attempt was made to secure correct rhetorical reading; though he had a class in declamation, of which one of the members did not fail frequently to remind his school-mates of the surprising fact that they had no reasonable expectation that one of such immature age should so delight and astonish them by any such exhibition of histrionic ability as "to speak in public on the stage." Then too we had a very entertaining dialogue between two old farmers in reference to a horse to go to mill, of which the termination was always looked for with the deepest interest, said termination being a very cordial settlement of the dispute, and a hearty shaking of hands, into which one of the interlocutors generally managed to introduce a well masticated mouthful of tobacco. There was a great deal of memorizing in the school, a good deal of book knowledge gained, but no great deal of teaching. The master himself depended upon the book, and what the books did not teach was not learned. In this respect, and in respect of better text books, there is scarcely a school in the county or State which is not far in advance of the school of the worthy master Doyle.—Among his pupils was one, now a respected citizen of Chestertown, who took peculiar delight in teasing the elder of the two sons of our preceptor who came with him to this country, on account of his nationality and his piety. He never neglected an opportunity to descant upon the value of potatoes and butter-milk as a diet, nor to dilate upon the advantages of having a new saint for each day to appeal to for deliverance from trouble. On one occasion our teacher's son sprained his wrist while striking at a ball. Instantly he fled into the school house, and dropping upon his knees began with great earnestness to invoke saintly aid. The intrusive eyes of his persecutor were peering through the window, and precious little peace had the pious boy for months to come. It was found out that our Irish fellow-student had the most unmitigated horror of snakes, scorpions, and all the tribe of reptiles; his indefatigable tormentor learned to extract the fangs and teeth of snakes, and taking them alive, would present them most unexpectedly to his timid schoolmate.

In almost every school some one boy will win for himself the affection and respect of the others by his generous and manly traits of character. Such an one was E. T., of Hopewell. Was anything proposed which required extraordinary courage or activity? E. T. was always selected to try it. Was a matched game to be played? Happy was that party which had E. T. on "our side." The master, for some reason, dismissed his school on Friday at noon. Some one knew of a hollow tree in which was a nest of young squirrels, but the tree was very large, without limbs to a great height, and the nest near the top. Who could climb such a tree? Of course no one if not E. T., and no one doubted his ability to do it. Our comrade's statement of the difficulty was by no means exaggerated. But E. T. climbed the tree, secured the squirrels, and giving them to his companions, went home, leaving if possible a higher estimate of his good qualities upon our minds than we had before entertained. The very next day, his mother requested him to gather some cherries for tarts, and being longer absent than she thought he should have been, sent a servant for him. He was found several rods from the tree from which he had fallen, his head striking the sharp edge of an oak rail, breaking the skull and leaving ugly splinters in the brain. He was unconscious when found, but the skill and care of Doctor Morgan Browne saved his life, and in the winter he entered school again.

Master Doyle continued to teach in the same place a year or two after another change in my circumstances severed my connection with his school. He afterwards removed to Chestertown and opened a school a large hip-roofed house which then stood on the brow of the hill which overlooks the stream running from the free school spring into Morgan's creek, at or near the spot where now stands, I think, a lodge room of colored Masons. Here, after a brief course, he died of pneumonia. His widow and several of the children returned to the old country. He was an excellent man, and in the state of the teaching profession in his day, was better than the majority. Had he lived to see science applied, as well to his vocation as that of others, he would have had few equals, for he cherished knowledge for the love of it, and it was a great pleasure to him to impart it to others.

The writer can never cease to cherish for him the most grateful recollections for the kind and affectionate interest he manifested in his intellectual and general welfare. From the Chinquepin, or Hopewell school—it was then known by both names—I was transferred to one kept in the vestry house at I. U. Church. Of the teacher, his character, discipline, mode of teaching, and its effects upon some of his pupils, I propose to speak in the next number of these chronicles.

Practical Joke.

A gentleman of considerable talent as an orator, down East, became a member of the legislative society in one of the Eastern States. In speaking, he had an odd habit of handling his spectacles; first placing them on his nose—suffering them to remain there a minute or two, throwing them upon his fore-head, and finally folding them up and laying them before him on the desk. One day a very important question came up for consideration, and he commenced a speech in opposition.—A friend to the proposed measure, who was a most incorrigible wag, withal, determined to spoil the effect of the honorable member's remarks, and accordingly, before he entered the house, provided himself with a dozen pair of spectacles.—The member commenced his speech with the usual ability. But a few minutes elapsed before he was at work with his spectacles, and finally got them upon his forehead. At this juncture our wag, who stood ready, laid another pair on the desk before the speaker. These were taken up, and by gradual gradations, gained a place on his forehead, by the side of the other. A third, fourth and fifth pair were disposed of in the same manner. A smile settled upon the countenances of the honorable members, which gradually enlightened into a grin, and at last when the speaker had warmed into one of his most patriotic and elegant sentences he deposited a sixth pair with the others, and there was one long and loud peal of laughter from all quarters of the room—president, members, clerks, joined in the chorus.—The speaker looked round in astonishment at this curious interruption; but raising his hand, he grasped the spectacles, and the whole force of the joke rushed upon his mind. He dashed the glasses upon the floor, took his hat, and left the hall. The bill passed by a triumphant majority.

HOW THAT CALF GOT THROUGH THE AUGER HOLE.—The proprietor of a tan-yard adjacent to a certain town in Virginia concluded to build a stand or store on one of the main streets, for the purpose of vending his leather, buying raw hides and the like. After completing his building, he began to consider what kind of sign it would be best to put up for the purpose of attracting attention to his new establishment, and for days and weeks he was sorely puzzled on the subject. At last a happy idea struck him. He bored an augur hole through the door-post, and stuck a calf's tail into it, with the bushy end flaunting out.

After a while he noticed a grave looking personage standing near the door, with spectacles on, gazing intently on the sign. And there he continued to stand, gazing and gazing until the curiosity of the tanner was greatly excited in turn.—He stepped out and addressed the individual.

"Good morning," said he.

"Morning," said the other, without moving his eyes from the sign.

"You want to buy leather?" said the shopkeeper.

"No."

"Do you wish to sell hides?"

"No."

"Are you a farmer?"

"No."

"Are you a merchant?"

"No."

"Are you a lawyer?"

"No."

"Are you a doctor?"

"No."

"What the d—— are you, then?"

"I'm a philosopher. I've been standing here for an hour, trying to ascertain how that calf got through that auger-hole, and I can't make it out to save my life."

A GENTLEMAN called on a rich miser, and found him at the table endeavoring to catch a fly. Presently he succeeded in entrapping one, which he immediately put into the sugar bowl and shut down the cover. The gentleman asked for an explanation of this singular sport. "I'll tell you," replied the miser, a triumphant grin overspreading his countenance as he spoke, "I want to see if the servants steal the sugar."

MY OPINION.—I consider marrying for money no better than stealing it.

If I was called upon to say how I tho't the devil looked and acted, I should compare him to the man who sells rum by the glass and never drinks any himself.

The man who buys goods on credit and then conducts his business in somebody else's name to keep from paying for them is no better than a thief, and should be so regarded by all honest men.

AN old gentleman was sitting upon the bank of a river, fishing most patiently.—Suddenly a vicious little dog stole up behind him and gave him a spiteful snap through his pantaloons. "Whew!" exclaimed the old fisherman, "I've got a bite at last!"

A LADY asked a minister "if she might pay attention to dress and fashion without being proud?" "Madam," replied the minister, "whenever you see the tale of a fox out of a hole you may be sure the fox is there also."

Our Thoughtless Words.

Reader, did you ever think how much a word can do? Perhaps some sorrowing mortal near you even now, is thirsting in her heart for a single gentle word, fraught with love and kindness and a soothing balm for every ill. "Every heart knoweth its own bitterness," but how few of us ever sympathize in another's woe. We pass and repass the mourning, sorrowing one, and perhaps a few common place words of condolence fall with a cold, unmeaning, restless expression from our lips, and we think our duty done; and often, very often, a smile of derision, an unkind word, and a rankling festering wound is inflicted which burn the heart as long as life lasts.

Ah! how little do we think how our thoughtless words influence the destiny of others for time and eternity. A single harsh expression falls from our lips, which is forgotten by us almost as soon as uttered, and a mildew blight falls upon some heart which had our words been fitly spoken, might have budded and blossomed in an eternity of happiness.

Then, reader, let your words be those of gentleness, and your actions ever kind. The human heart is easily touched, and from its hidden fountains will gush forth such a stream of gratitude and love, that you will never regret the effort you have made, nor forget to thank God for the great good you have been the means of doing.

"A little word in kindness spoken,
A motion or a tear,
Has often soothed a heart that's broken,
And made a friend sincere."

KIND WORDS.—It is a very easy thing to get smoothly through this rough world of ours, if there is only a desire to do so, and the proper means are adopted. Half the obstacles that are met with in life originate in ourselves. Man is prone to be selfish, to care too little for the feelings of others, and to exact too much respect for his own.

Abruptness of manner frequently passes without comment, but it leaves a barb behind it which may at a future time produce a crop of thorns to make progress in the pathway of life difficult and painful. Kind words are as cheap as unkind ones, and they are as bread upon the waters, returning after many days, and bringing compensation with them. There are few natures so rugged that cannot be subdued by kindness, and where actions are not needed, words of gentleness and consideration will gratefully be accepted as a substitute. It is an illustration of the homely apothegm, that sugar catches more flies than vinegar. Man has an abundance of both at his disposition, and why he will so frequently use the vinegar when the sugar will so much better answer his purpose, is one of the inexplicable mysteries.

WANTED THE SITUATION.—Once upon a time an unsophisticated, innocent young woman, one of a large family of maidens, in indigent circumstances, resolved to make an effort for personal independence by undertaking some honest vocation.—With this view she carefully searched the newspapers, and decided to respond to an advertisement for a wet nurse. On going to the house of the advertiser she was confronted by the family physician, who had been strictly enjoined to inquire into the physical condition of applicants for the office, in order to secure one of unqualified excellence. The following scene ensued:

Young Woman—(eagerly)—"I have come to get the situation, if it isn't too late?"

Physician—(scanning the maidenly figure before him)—'But madam you do not appear to be very robust.'

Young Woman—(confidently)—'Oh, sir, my health is very good. I haven't been sick since I was a baby.'

Physician—'Yes, madam; but is your baby in good health?'

Young Woman—(blushingly) 'I haven't any baby, sir.'

Physician—(energetically) 'Why are you not married.'

Young Woman—No sir, not yet.'

Physician (comprehending the situation)—'Well, my dear young woman, I don't think you will do for a wet nurse.'

Young Woman—'Perhaps not at first, sir; but I am perfectly willing to learn.'

TWO OF 'EM.—A young fellow whose better half had just presented him with a bouncing pair of twins, attended church one Sunday. During the discourse, the clergyman looked right at our innocent friend, and said, in a tone of thrilling eloquence: "Young man, you have an important responsibility thrust upon you." The newly fledged dad, supposing the preacher alluded to his peculiar home event, considerably startled the audience by exclaiming, "Yes, I have two of 'em."

"How dismal you look," said a bucket to his companion, as they were going to the well. "Ah!" replied the other, "I am reflecting on the uselessness of being filled, for let us go away ever so full, we always come back empty."

"Dear me! how strange to look at it in that way," said the companion; "now I enjoy the thought that, however empty we come, we always go away full. Only look at it in that light, and you'll be as cheerful as I am."

THE late Judge P—— was a noted wag. A young lawyer was once making his first effort before him and had thrown himself on the wings of imagination into the seventh heaven and was preparing for a higher ascent when the judge struck his rule on the desk once or twice, and exclaimed to the astonished orator: "Hold on, my dear sir, don't go any higher, you are already out of the jurisdiction of this court."

A BARRISTER entered the hall with his wig very much awry, of which he was not at all apprised, but was obliged to endure from almost every observer some remark on its appearance, till at last, addressing himself to Mr. Currant, he asked him.—"Do you see anything ridiculous in this wig?" "Nothing but the head," was the answer.

A VENDER of hoop-skirts was recently extolling his wares in the presence of a customer's husband. "No lady should be without one of these skirts," said the shopman. "Well, of course not," dryly responded the husband, who was something of a wag, "she should be within it."

IF twenty grains make a scruple, how many will make a doubt?